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Applicant(s): Squier, Randy L.	Attorney Docket No.: S67-002-04-US
Application No.: 10/827,490	Group Art Unit: Unknown
Filed: April 19, 2004	
Title: LOCK ASSEMBLY HAVING SECURE ENGAGEMENT PLATE	

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Dear Sir:

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Your petitioner, Randy Squier, a Sole Inventor, residing at post office address at 1333 Highland Road, Stillwater, Minnesota 55082, represents that he is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to the U.S. Patent Application No. 10/827,490 filed April 19, 2004 filed in the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/256,541 filed on September 26, 2002 that later issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,722,170. As such, your petitioner, Randy Squier is also the owner of the entire right, title, and interest in and to the present application, which is a continuation of the aforesaid parent application.

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Respectfully submitted,

For the Applicant, Randy L. Squier

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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is the patent application of () application identifier or (X) first named inventor, entitled Lock Assembly Having Secure Engagement Plate, for a(n):

() Original Patent Application.

(X) Continuing Application (prior application not abandoned):

- (X) Continuation () Continuation-in-part (CIP)
() Divisional () Request for continued examination
of prior application No: 10/256,541 Filed on: 9/26/2002.
() A statement claiming priority under 35 USC § 120 has been added to the specification.

Enclosed are:

- (X) Specification, Claims and Abstract; 23 Total Pages. (X) Drawing(s); 4 Total Sheets.
(X) Oath or Declaration:
() A Newly Executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney:
() Signed. () Unsigned. () Partially Signed.
() A Copy from a Prior Application for Continuation/Divisional (37 CFR § 1.63(d)).
() Incorporation by Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated herein by reference.
() Signed Statement Deleting Inventor(s) Named in the Prior Application. (37 CFR § 163(d)(2)).
(X) Copy of Original Declaration and Power of Attorney
(X) Return Receipt Postcard.
(X) A Check in the amount of \$ 489.00 for the Filing Fee.
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() Associate Power of Attorney.
() Preliminary Amendment.
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(X) Applicant claims small entity status.
() Other: _____

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Independent Claims	5	2	\$ 43.00	\$ 86.00
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Respectfully submitted,

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